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Supreme Court Expands eFiling

The Chief Justice of the Arizona Supreme Court signed Administrative Order 2008-89 expanding electronic filing in the Superior Court in Maricopa County. The new order takes effect December 1, 2008 and expands eFiling to attorneys and self-represented litigants who choose to eFile in civil cases.

The Administrative Order does not make eFiling mandatory, but gives attorneys and parties the option to eFile. Complaints, answers and other case initiating documents will continue to be filed in paper. Subsequent documents may be filed electronically in civil cases in accordance with the Electronic Filing Guidelines, a collaborative document created by the Superior Court and the Clerk's Office and maintained on the Clerk's website at <https://efiling.clerkofcourt.maricopa.gov/efilingguidelines/>.

The Supreme Court's Administrative Order specifies that eFiling will not be allowed as part of this expansion in family, probate, mental health, tax, juvenile matters, special actions, transfers of jurisdiction or lower court appeals cases. Judicial officers, their staff and courtroom clerks in the civil division have been trained in the eFiling system to prepare for the expansion. eFiling support is available from the Clerk's Office by calling 602-506-2565 or by emailing efilesupport@cosc.maricopa.gov.